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INFORMATION FROM "ARKADIJ" AND "POLYARNIK" ON THE POLITICAL
SITUATION IN FINLAND (1942)

From: STOCKHOLM

To: MOSCOW

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[Part I of a two-part message]

Part I]

[150 groups unrecoverable]

[4 groups unrecovered] must be [2 groups unrecovered], as FINLAND is in a
[1 group unrecovered] position. (Information from "ARKADIJ" [i].)

2. According to FAGERHOLM, [ii] a Finnish minister who is here, FINLAND
[7 groups unrecovered] the government may [1 group unrecovered] its resignation
any day on the grounds that it has not been able to cope with the difficulties
[0% which have arisen] [2 groups unrecovered] war and [1 group unrecovered] is
in no condition to cope with the growing [4 groups unrecoverable] [4 groups
unrecovered]. [1 group unrecovered] speeches against the German occupation.
The question of forming a government which would enter into negotiations with
the USSR and end the war is almost openly [1 group unrecovered]. It is
assumed that the new government [7 groups unrecovered]. (Information obtained
by "POLYARNIK" [iii] from a member of the Riksdag [1 group unrecovered]
[0% in STOCKHOLM] [2 groups unrecovered] FAGERHOLM.)

[Part II not available][a]

Note: [a] Part II is probably STOCKHOLM's No. 50.

Comments: [i] ARKADIJ: Unidentified cover-name.

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[Comments [ii] and [iii] overleaf]

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Comments: [ii] PAGERHOLM : Karl-August PAGERHOLM was Finnish Minister of Social Affairs at this time. He was a member of the Social Democratic Party.

[iii] POLYARNIK : Unidentified cover-name. See also STOCKHOLM's No. 1618 of 19th December 1941 (3/NBP/T1480).

